GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Scorpene Submarine Project
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with French shipbuilder for manufacturing Indian Navy's Scorpene submarine and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the data relating to the Scorpene submarine project was leaked recently and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefore along with the extent to which it is likely to affect the India's defence preparedness and future submarine operations programme;

(c) whether the Government has set up a high level committee to investigate the matter and if so, the details thereof along with the outcome thereof;

(d) the action taken / being taken by the Government on the basis of the recommendations of the committee; and

(e) the further corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
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(a) A contract was concluded between M/s Mazagon Dockyard Limited (MDL) and DCNS, France on 6th October 2005 for construction of six Scorpene Class submarines at MDL.

(b) to (e): Government is aware of media reports regarding the leakage of details of the Scorpene submarines being built at MDL. A Committee was constituted by the Ministry of Defence to enquire into the reported leak of documents. The Committee has submitted its report, which is under examination.

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